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SUBJ: CHANNEL TUNNEL: UK-FRANCE SET NOVEMBER 17 FOR
TREATY SIGNING

REF: LONDON 12492

1. TREATY BETWEEN UK AND FRANCE TO COMMENCE CONSTRUCTION OF CHANNEL TUNNEL WILL BE SIGNED BY FOREIGN MINISTERS IN UK NOVEMBER 17 IN PRESENCE OF PM HEATH AND PRESIDENT POMPIDOU. TREATY SIGNING WILL WINDUP POMPIDOU'S VISIT TO UK WITH FIRM EVIDENCE OF CLOSER ANGLO-FRENCH TIES IN FUTURE.

2. ALTHOUGH THE CHANNEL TUNNEL TREATY WILL CONTAIN PROVISIONS ENABLING EITHER PARTY TO WITHDRAW FROM PROJECT UPON PAYMENT OF CERTAIN PENALTY COSTS, SUCH WITHDRAWAL REGARDED AS VERY UNLIKELY. ENGINEERING STUDIES WOULD INDICATE ONLY REMOTE POSSIBILITY OF TECHNICAL SNAGS AND BOTH SIDES NOW APPEAR CONVINCED PROJECT COMMERCIALLY VIABLE.

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